

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

April 8, 2011

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from

April 1, 2011 – April 7, 2011. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post- arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court's website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Bill Murray for further information at wmurray@viennaya.gov)

INCIDENTS

Bad Check Case 11-05109 127 Center Street, South March 7 9:00 a.m.

Lieutenant Marsh took a report regarding several bad checks that had been issued to the Town of Vienna.

This case is still being investigated.

Arrests- Soliciting Without a License 11-04845 900 Block Ware Street, SW March 29 4:35 p.m.

An alert citizen called to report three unlicensed solicitors in the area of Ware Street and Marshall Road, SW.

PFC Shaw located the individuals and after a brief investigation issued all three men summonses charging them with Soliciting Without a License. They were all released after signing the summonses.

The following individuals were charged:

Teresa Marie Long, 42, of Fessenden Terrace in Sterling, Virginia Raymond Charles Bales, 62, of Bachen Court in Reston, Virginia Ahmad Jawaid Naimee, 29, of Park Center Drive in Alexandria, Virginia

Identity Fraud 11-05096 200 Block Locust Street, SE April 1 9:00 a.m.

A citizen reported that he was contacted by the Internal Revenue Service regarding some delinquent back taxes. The citizen believes that someone is fraudulently using his Social Security number as he does not owe any back taxes.

This case is still being investigated.

Residential Burglary 11-04990 100 Block Battle Street, SE April 1 between 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

A citizen reported that during the listed times unknown subjects entered her home through a rear window and stole jewelry and coins.

Forensic evidence was collected at the scene.

This case is still being investigated.

Police Service 11-04985 200 Block Center Street, SW April 1 1:08 p.m.

A citizen turned in some unwanted ammunition that was found inside her home. The ammunition will be destroyed.

Vehicle Tampering 11-05022

1100 Block Westbriar Drive, NE

Between April 1 at 1:30 p.m. and April 2 at 9:15 a.m.

A citizen reported that during the listed times unknown subjects entered her unlocked vehicle and rummaged through it. It does not appear that anything was taken.

Found Property 11-04992 Park Street at Maple Avenue, NE April 1 3:34 p.m.

A citizen found a wallet containing a retired probation officer's credentials.

PFC Mangan located the owner and returned the items to him.

Petit Larceny 11-05032

1100 Block Westbriar Court, NE

Between April 1 at 5:30 p.m. and April 2 at 5:30 p.m.

A citizen reported that during the listed times unknown subjects entered his unlocked vehicle and stole a carton of cigarettes and a wallet.

Destruction of Property 11-04998 Lawyers Road at Sharon Lane, NW April 1 10:00 p.m.

A citizen reported that a stop sign was recently damaged. The complainant believes a large truck may have run over the sign.

Grand Larceny 11-05020

100 Block Saint Andrews Drive, NE

Between April 1 at 10:00 p.m. and April 2 at 10:44 a.m.

Two citizens stated that their locked vehicles were unlawfully entered during the listed times. A GPS unit and a digital camera were stolen from one of the vehicles.

Vandalism Case 11-05001 300 Block Sherwood Drive, NE April 1 11:11 p.m.

A citizen advised that unknown subjects had attempted to throw eggs and hit her house. The egg throwers missed and the egg remains were located on her property.

Arrest- Driving While Intoxicated 11-05002 400 Block Creek Crossing Road, NE

April 1 11:23 p.m.

MPO Shaver responded to a crash. Upon his arrival he found a vehicle that had impacted a tree and trapped the driver.

Fairfax County EMS was summoned and responded to extricate the driver. He was then transported to an area hospital with serious injuries.

While at the hospital the driver, 18 year old Michael Lee Griffith of Tapawingo Road in Vienna was placed under arrest for suspicion of driving while intoxicated. A summons was issued charging Mr. Griffith with the offense.

Mr. Griffith remained at the hospital and submitted a blood sample for analysis. He is expected to recover.

Lost Property 11-05034 600 Block Meadow Lane, SW April 2 8:42 a.m.

A citizen reported that she lost her wallet and its contents. A generalized area for the occurrence of the loss is unknown.

Vandalism Case 11-05029 Giant Food Store 359 Maple Avenue, SE April 2 between 3:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

A citizen reported that while his vehicle was parked in the parking area unknown subjects damaged his wiper blade and wiper arm.

Lost Property 11-05079 900 Block Ware Street, SW April 2 10:00 p.m.

A citizen reported that while he was jogging his wallet fell from his pocket in an unknown area.

Medical Call 11-05046 400 Block Center Street, South April 3 12:45 a.m.

Fairfax County EMS requested an officer for a patient that had taken a large amount of pills in an apparent attempt to harm herself.

The woman was transported to an area hospital and is expected to recover.

Police Service 11-05072 Vienna Police Headquarters 215 Center Street, South

April 3 between 3:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m.

A cab driver reported that after picking up a fare in Washington, D.C. he was travelling along Interstate 66 and struck something near Route 7 in Fairfax County, Virginia.

This event description was similar to that of a prior incident involving a struck pedestrian.

The Virginia State Police were notified and responded to interview the subject.

Open Door/ Commercial Alarm 11-05049 Neighbor's Restaurant 262D Cedar Lane, SE April 3 4:33 a.m.

Officer Myers responded for a commercial intrusion alarm. Upon his arrival he discovered an unsecured door.

An interior search of the restaurant yielded nothing unusual and the manager was notified.

Found Property 11-05063 Ayr Hill Avenue at Center Street, NE April 3 11:50 a.m.

A considerate citizen found a laptop computer and bag while driving along Ayr Hill Avenue. He brought the items to Vienna Police Headquarters.

Dispatcher Milliman was able to track down the owner and have the items returned to him.

Animal Case 11-05065 100 Block Melody Lane, SW April 3 12:13 p.m.

A citizen reported that she has been feeding a stray cat outside her home. On the listed date she attempted to pet the cat and was scratched and bitten by it.

Officer Lyons captured the unappreciative animal and transported it to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. The victim was going to seek medical treatment for her injuries at an area hospital.

Arrest- Warrant Service 11-05148 Maple Avenue at Niblick Drive, SE April 3 10:42 p.m.

PFC Ruddy conducted a traffic stop. Upon her interaction with the driver she learned that he was wanted by the Fairfax County Police based upon an outstanding warrant. The warrant charged the driver with Simple Assault.

The driver, 29 year old Scotty D. Kline of Tedler Circle in Round Hill, Virginia, was arrested and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Arrest- Noise Violation 11-05088 500 Block Maple Avenue, East April 4 5:40 a.m.

MPO Burchfield was watching the area for trucks servicing trash dumpsters too early in the morning and other commercial vehicles creating excessive noise.

At 5:40 a.m. MPO Burchfield observed a produce vendor unloading his truck. MPO Burchfield attempted to discuss the issue with the driver but was unsuccessful.

He then issued Timothy Allen Ward, 38, of 72nd Place in Hyattsville, Maryland a summons for violating the Town of Vienna ordinance against such activity. Mr. Ward was released after signing the summons.

Arrest- Noise Violation 11-05091 500 Block Maple Avenue, East April 4 5:50 a.m.

MPO Burchfield was watching the area for trucks servicing trash dumpsters too early in the morning.

At 5:50 a.m. he observed a truck servicing the dumpster behind a business. After a short investigation MPO Burchfield issued Aaron Lewis Knight, 29, of Kerrydale Drive in Woodbridge, Virginia a summons for the violation. Mr. Knight was released after signing the summons.

Note regarding the recent increase in arrests for violating Town of Vienna ordinances involving excessive noise in the early morning hours:

The Vienna Police Department pre-alerted affected trash and delivery companies about the Town's noise ordinance and the need for them to observe the listed hours. The businesses were also warned that an enforcement wave would begin once the drivers had been given sufficient time to learn about the noise issues and review the code with their employers. The current enforcement wave is in response to multiple citizen complaints near area businesses.

Identity Fraud 11-05095 300 Block Locust Street, SE April 4 9:17 a.m.

A citizen stated that he was contacted by the Internal Revenue Service regarding some undeclared income. The citizen believes that someone is using his Social Security number in a fraudulent manner.

This case is still being investigated.

Suspicious Person 11-05098 United Bank 226 Maple Avenue, West April 4 10:01 a.m.

A citizen reported observing a suspicious male subject walking near the United Bank. The subject was wearing a partial face covering and it appeared that he had something under his coat.

The subject had left the area prior to police arrival.

Suspicious Event 11-05108 100 Block Casmar Street, SE April 4 11:30 a.m.

A citizen reported that they discovered a side entrance screen door which was ajar. There were no apparent signs of criminal activity.

Destruction of Property 11-05309 300 Block Lawyers Road, NW Between April 4 and April 7

A citizen reported that during the listed dates an unknown vehicle left the roadway and damaged her fence.

Found Property 11-05131 900 Bock Ware Street, SW April 4 6:06 p.m.

A citizen found a wallet on his front steps and turned it in to police. PFC Simon will attempt to contact the owner.

Arrests- Warrant Service 11-05166 215 Center Street, South April 5 12:30 p.m.

After coming to Vienna Police Headquarters for an interview with a detective, it was discovered that Tracie Lee Thomas, 36, of Ridgedale Drive in Woodbridge was wanted based upon 3 outstanding traffic warrants from Fairfax County, Virginia.

Ms. Thomas was arrested and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Arrest Assistance- Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office 11-05172 Giant Food 359 Maple Avenue, East April 5 3:03 p.m.

PFC Lewis responded to assist a Fairfax County Fire Marshal that had arrested a subject for Manufacturing an Explosive Device. The devices involved dry ice inside plastic bottles.

Brian Anthony Abinader, 24, of Cottage Street in Vienna was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center for the Fire Marshal.

Verbal Dispute 11-05174 1400 Block Ross Drive, SW April 5 5:35 p.m.

A woman called police to report that she and her roommate were having a verbal argument over the use of a stove in the kitchen.

MPO Sheeran was able to discuss the situation with the women and suggest an agreeable solution for the roommates to resolve the matter.

Animal Case 11-05177 W and O.D. Trail at Dominion Road, SE April 5 6:15 p.m.

A 15 year old boy reported that he was riding his bicycle on the trail. After stopping in a grassy area he was bitten by a boxer type dog.

The boy's mother was notified and sought medical advice for the injury.

ACO Barker will follow up on this case.

Petit Larceny 11-05250

100 Block East Street, NE

April 6 between 12:01 a.m. and 5:22 p.m.

A citizen reported that during the listed times unknown subjects entered his vehicle and stole a wallet and its contents.

The citizen is unsure if he locked his vehicle or not.

Civil Case 11-05300 900 Block Moorefield Creek Road, SW April 6 8:30 p.m.

A homeowner reported that he believes a tenant to whom he is renting a house is allowing another individual to stay there. The homeowner has received an email which he believes is threatening in nature.

MPO Shaver explained the civil resolution options to both parties.

Arrests- Driving on a Suspended Operator's License, Speeding 11-05259 Ware Street at Tapawingo Road, SW

April 6 10:05 p.m.

MPO Shaver conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he learned that the driver had no valid operator's license.

The driver, 23 year old Hayssam Tannous of Olympian Circle in Vienna was arrested and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. There he was formally charged with Speeding and Driving on a Suspended Operator's License. He was held on a \$1000.00 bond.

Arrest- Warrant Service for Probation Violation, Driving on a Suspended Operator's License 11-05267

Nutley Street at Route 66

April 7 2:28 a.m.

MPO Shaver conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he learned that he was operating the vehicle while his driver's license was suspended. MPO Shaver also learned that an outstanding warrant from Fairfax County was on file for the driver.

24 year old Jeffrey Stephens of Dogwood Street in Vienna was arrested and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. There he was served with the outstanding warrant charging him with a probation violation and issued a summons for Driving on a Suspended Operator's License.

Mr. Stephens was held without bond.

Shoplifting 11-05307 Vienna Rexall Drug Center 150 Maple Avenue, West April 7 7:10 p.m.

A store employee reported that he observed a juvenile male conceal a pack of gum from a candy shelf. The employee detained the subject until police arrived.

After discussing the situation with the employee and the boy's mother it was decided that no criminal charges would be filed.

CRASHES

200 Block Church Street near Park Street, NE 11-04074 March 15 5:51 p.m.

One vehicle travelling along Church Street came to a stop. A second vehicle directly behind it failed to stop as quickly and struck it in the rear.

Park Street at Church Street, NE 11-04822 March 29 8:26 a.m.

One vehicle was travelling along southbound Park Street. A second vehicle started from a stopped position on Church Street and struck the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was charged with Failure to Yield the Right of Way.

1200 Block Cottage Street near Ross Drive, SW 11-04915 March 31 4:40 a.m.

A legally parked vehicle was struck when a passing vehicle swerved to the right. The driver believes his ball joint failed causing him to swerve.

Maple Avenue at Beulah Road, NE 11-04948 March 31 10:11 p.m.

One vehicle was stopped on westbound Maple Avenue. A second vehicle that was approaching from the rear struck it. The driver of the striking vehicle stated he was distracted by police activity in another lane.

The driver of the striking vehicle was charged with Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

400 Block Maple Avenue near Nutley Street, NW 11-04989 April 1 2:10 p.m.

As one vehicle came to a stop on Maple Avenue it was struck in the rear by a second vehicle.

400 Block Creek Crossing Road, NE 11-05002 April 1 11:23 p.m. Please see description above under <u>Incidents</u>.

Glyndon Street at Maple Avenue, SE 11-05075 April 2 2:00 p.m.

As two in-line vehicles slowed to stop on Glyndon Street, a third vehicle struck them from behind. This set off a chain reaction crash involving all three vehicles.

MEDIA RELEASES

Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Auxiliary Police Officer Ken Plumb to Retire



APO Ken Plumb

On April 15, 2011 Auxiliary Police Officer Ken Plumb will oversee the safe passage of attendees at the Town of Vienna's Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt for the last time. After serving the Town of Vienna Police Department for over 16 years APO Plumb has decided to "retire" from the force. The Auxiliary police unit consists of volunteers that serve the community with certain police powers yet they receive no monetary compensation. The Egg Hunt will serve as APO Plumb's last official assignment as part of the Vienna Police Department's Auxiliary police force.

APO Plumb began his sworn service with the Vienna Police in October of 1994. After successfully completing an extensive background check Ken attended the Fairfax County Criminal Justice Academy's Auxiliary Training Program. This program lasted for approximately 6 months and was held on Wednesday evenings and weekends.

APO Plumb has been a constant around the Vienna Police Department for so long and many paid officers have come to rely on his services. In part, APO Plumb performed background investigations for new police candidates, scheduled and provided station tours for civic groups, assisted in the Fairfax County General District Court held in Vienna Town Hall each Monday morning, ensured the safe passage of many a 5K runner during some of the town's races, and performed many security checks for area businesses.

The Town of Vienna first began its Auxiliary Police Force in 1990. Two of the original members, APO T.R. Cook and APO Walter "Mac" Elliott are still serving. Former Town of Vienna paid employee John Wooden is also a current sworn APO still serving Vienna in a volunteer capacity.

OF INTEREST/ CASE UPDATES

From the February 19, 2010 Vienna Police Highlights:

Fraud Case 10-1216 900 Block Ware Street, SW Between January 5 2:12 p.m. and February 16 at 4:04 p.m.

A citizen reported that after receiving his bank statement he noticed some incorrect debits. The victim reported writing a check for a large amount to a tree service worker for some tree trimming. The same worker then came back on a later date and reported to the victim that the previous check had been destroyed in the wash. He then asked for a replacement check. The victim issued him a new check.

When the bank statement was received by the victim he noticed that both checks had been cashed.

After conducting an investigation Sergeant Wickes obtained warrants charging Lisa Marie Mckaige, 34, of Heritage Drive in Culpeper, Virginia with 1 count of Obtaining Money by False Pretense. He also obtained 2 warrants charging Bradley Dwayne Rhodes, 35, of Artillery Lane in Warrenton, Virginia with 2 counts of Obtaining Money by False Pretense.

On March 6, 2010 deputies from the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office arrested Lisa McKaige based upon the warrant.

On April 12, 2010 deputies from the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office arrested Bradley Dwayne Rhodes based upon his two outstanding warrants.

Judicial Update-

On April 1, 2011 Bradley Rhodes pled guilty to one count of Obtaining Money by False Pretense and was sentenced to 7 years in jail with 5 years suspended. He was also ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$8,750.00. Furthermore he will be on active probation for 3 years.

The charge against Ms. McKaige was dismissed.

From the April 1, 2011 Vienna Police Highlights:

Stolen Vehicle 11-04654 100 Block Patrick Street, SE February 15, 2011

A citizen reported that he purchased a vehicle from a private citizen and registered it with the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles. The buyer then placed the new title and other purchasing documents inside the unlocked vehicle which was parked outside of his home. The buyer never received the keys to the vehicle.

Sometime later the citizen went to use his newly purchased vehicle and found that it was gone. A phone call was made to the original seller and the victim discovered that the seller had taken the vehicle, after the sale, without his permission. The vehicle is believed to be in Mississippi and in the custody of the seller.

Case Update-

The vehicle in question was found in Fairfax County, Virginia. Using tracking technology the vehicle was located near Route 50 and Covington Street. Some documentation discovered inside the vehicle led the owner to believe that the individual found operating the vehicle may have used his identity in a fraudulent manner. This aspect of the case is still being investigated.

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Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

Please call and report!

See or Hear Something? Say Something! - Dial 9-1-1

Please contact MPO Bill Murray for further information on any of these cases at wmurray@viennava.gov or 571- 251-0770.